



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Kunieda et al.  
Appl. No. : 09/972,200  
Filed : October 9, 2001  
Title : SYSTEM FOR FINGERPRINT AUTHENTICATION  
Group Art Unit : 2623  
Examiner : Siangchin, K.  
Docket No. : 8215.129

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March 9, 2005

Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Sir:

The following is written in response to the Official Action dated September 10, 2004.

Please, kindly reconsider the application in light of the arguments presented herein.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 10 of this paper and include an attached sheet with new drawing figures.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.

A petition for a three-month extension of time to extend the period of response is attached hereto. Should the attached check be insufficient, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge applicant's representative's charge account 50-0548 for any deficiencies.